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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

U.S. Patent Documents

Meller et al.	4,696,308	(09/29/87)
Kaster et al.	5,234,447	(08/10/93)
Miller et al.	5,250,058	(10/05/93)
LeMole	5,893,369	(04/13/99)
Goldsteen et al.	5,976,178	(11/02/99)

These references are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), and copies of them are enclosed.

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WO 01/70118

Applicants submitted this search report and the references contained therein with the IDS filed 04/11/02.

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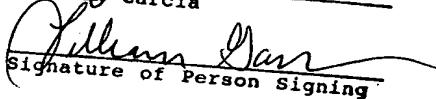
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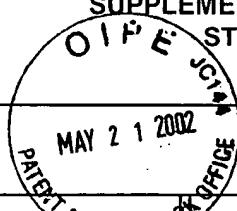
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